

## 1<sup>st</sup> Annual South Florence High/Southside Middle School Invitational Fishing Tournament



**Date and Time:** Saturday October 12<sup>th</sup>, 2013

7:00 am (or 1st safe light) - 2:00 pm weigh-in

**Rules Meeting:** We will meet to go over rules before takeoff at the ramp. (6:45 am)

**Location:** Clearwater Cove Marina (adjacent to Shaw Air Force Base Recreational Complex), Lake Wateree

2029 Baron Dekalb Rd. Camden, SC 29020

**Participants:** All Youth Bass League members are encouraged to participate. Anglers must be current members

of a league club that is registered with DNR. This event will be a TBF of SC Junior/TBF Student

Angler Federation event.

**Awards:** Trophies and prizes will be awarded to the two angler teams in 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place.

Rules: Rules for this tournament are listed below. Anglers and boat captains are also expected to obey all rules

and regulations provided by the Youth Bass League, The Bass Federation and SCDNR.

If there are rules questions, please contact Jeremy Trussell.

**Registration:** Registration for this event is free. All angler teams must register through their home club. Club

Leaders/Coaches must register anglers by email with Jeremy Trussell at JTrussell@fsd1.org

Registration Deadline -10/4/2013

## **Registration Information:**

Club Leaders must register each 2 angler team and captain using the following information (if applicable):

For each angler: Name, School, Grade, Date of Birth, Cell Phone #

For boat captains: Name, Date of Birth, Cell Phone #

If you have any question, please contact Jeremy Trussell at: JTrussell@fsd1.org

## South Florence High/Southside Middle Bass Fishing Team Tournament Rules

The following rules are designed to promote sportsmanship among the anglers and to provide a fair competition. Failure to comply with any rules may result in a weight penalty or disqualification from the tournament.

1) All SC DNR fishing rules and regulations apply during tournaments, including fishing license and boating regulations.

- 2) All school rules apply during fishing tournaments.
- 3) Anglers must be age 11-18 and be a member of a club that is registered with DNR.
- 4) Take-off order will be determined by the order that team and captain names are registered with Mr. Trussell.
- 5) Safety is the number one concern for these tournaments. All boats must be operated safely at all times. Coast Guard approved PFDs must be worn anytime the combustion engine is running. The boat must have an emergency ignition shut-off device that is secured to the driver/captain's body. Boats must also be covered by current liability insurance.
- 6) One Captain 21 or older is required to be on each team's boat at all times during the tournament. Captains should advise anglers on boat safety and sportsmanship, and may give anglers fishing advice including locations, techniques, etc. Captains may net fish, but are not permitted to fish during the tournaments.
- 7) Club tournaments will have a **5 fish per boat limit**. All fish must be largemouth, spotted, redeye, or smallmouth bass that are **at least 12" in length**. Teams should not possess more than 5 fish at any time during the tournament. Extra fish must be culled immediately.
- 8) All fish must be caught on artificial lures, and anglers may only use one rod at a time. Trolling is not permitted.
- 9) Every effort should be made to keep fish alive until they are released after weigh-in. All boats must be equipped with a properly working live well with aeration.
- 10) Dead fish should never be culled. If a fish is foul hooked or accidently killed, the fish must be kept and brought to weigh-in as part of the fish limit. **An 8 ounce penalty will be assessed for each dead fish.**
- 11) Boats that are **late to weigh-in will be assessed a penalty of 1 pound per minute** after the designated weigh-in time.
- 12) Tournament rankings will be based on total team weight.
- 13) If an emergency occurs, the captain or an angler should **call 911** 1<sup>st</sup>, and then notify the tournament supervisor, **Jeremy Trussell (843) 687-5399**.

Any questions or concerns for these rules should be brought to Mr. Trussell, preferably before or at rule meetings.